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Shri Balwinder Singh,
S/o Shri Amrik Singh
R/o Dashmesh Nagar,
Behind Radiant School,
Jalalabad, District Fazilka.

.....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer O/o Deputy Commissioner, Fazilka.

Public Information Officer O/o Secretary, Regional Transport Authority, Ferozepur/Fazilka.

First Appellate Authority O/o Deputy Commissioner, Fazilka.

....Respondents

AC No. 5817 of 2022

Present: i) Appellant- absent.

ii) None on behalf of the PIO/Respondent.

ORDER:

- 1. The RTI application is dated 25.07.2022 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter FAA) on 14.10.2022 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 23.11.2022 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).
- 2. The notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 16.01.2023. Accordingly, the case has been heard today. Shri Balwinder Singh, appellant has not come present to attend the hearing in person or through cisco webex nor any intimation has been received from him in this regard.
- 3. Neither the PIO O/o DC/District Election Officer, Fazilka has come present in person before the Bench or through cisco webex nor he has deputed any of his representatives to attend the hearing. However, a letter dated 11.01.2023 has been received explaining the position regarding provision of information to the appellant as also enclosing therewith letter dated 08.08.2022 whereby the RTI application was transferred to the Secretary, Regional Transport Authority, Ferozepur/Fazilka (Nodal Officer for Transportation in Vidhan Sabha Election-2022) to whom the information sought vide RTI application relates.

- 4. On perusal of the letter dated 08.08.2022, the Bench observes that the information has to be supplied to the appellant by PIO O/o Secretary, Regional Transport Authority, Ferozepur/Fazilka. Accordingly, the PIO Office of Regional Transport Authority, Ferozepur/Fazilka is impleaded as Respondent No.2 who is directed to supply information to the appellant before the next hearing. Both the PIOs are directed to come present in person before the Bench on the next hearing.
- 5. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. To come up hearing on 22.02.2023 at 11.30 AM before the Bench in Commission's office at Chandigarh. Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

Chandigarh 16.01.2023 Sd/(Lt Gen Ajae Kumar Sharma (Retd))
State Information Commissioner, Punjab

Copy to(By Regd.Post):

PIO O/o Secretary, Regional Transport Authority, Fazilka

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